

Regional Service Council Minutes Region # 18

Meeting Date: 8/17/07

Meeting Location: Clark County DCS

Council Members Present: John Barksdale Libby Tucker (for Jim Miller) Pat Brown (for Susan Long) Joan Kelley Debbie Ponder John Kaiser

Council Members Absent:

Others In Attendance: Pam Cotton Jana Kixmiller Kim Kirchner Dana Thomas Mary Beth Adams Wolf Nancy Lambring Penny Pitciock

Meeting Minutes

I. Community Partners for Child Safety Update: Kim Kirchner reported on types of information the will be captured by the partnertude program. Information regarding outcomes of referrals made will be available through the partnertude program. It was recommended that some type of

door hanger or mailer with information be developed and left with families that we are unable to immediately engage. Possible use of left over start up dollars for this purpose was suggested. Handout out indicating County participation in the Community Partners Programs was reviewed.

- II. Intensive Prevention and Reunification Program: Programs are available in all Counties in Region. Ste reimbursement is available for specified amounts after start up funding is depleted.
- III. DSA Report: Penny Pitcock was available for questions regarding funding and contracts. Penny indicated that Adoption services are not being utilized in Region 18. She also noted that DSA would be contacting local office Directors with recommendations for transfer of funds. It was suggested that the possible use of reimbursement of adoption subsidy be considered as post adoption service.
- IV. Child Advocacy Center Update: No new information available.
- V. Life Spring Contract revision: Jana Kixmiller requested that the LifeSpring contract be amended to allow for collateral contact billing retroactive to July 1 2006. This was taken under advisement until additional information regarding the specific dollar amount and appropriate unit rate could be evaluated.
- VI. DCS Practice Reform: General discussion regarding the continuing practice reform in Region 18 and across the State. Informed Council that region 18 will be adding eleven new FCM positions in late October.
- VII. Information: Dana Thomas presented information to the Council regarding Associate in Counseling and Psychotherapy.
- VIII. Information: Mary Beth Adams Wolf presented information regarding Our Place.

Meeting Called to Order at: 10: AM.

Next Meeting Date, Location and Time: 10:00 AM----- 9/21/07@ the Clark County DCS Office.

Meeting Adjourned at: 11:45.